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**From:** MacIntyre, Mark [Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/6/2019 6:58:36 PM  
**To:** Lidgard, Michael [Lidgard.Michael@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Opalski, Dan [Opalski.Dan@epa.gov]; Chung, Angela [Chung.Angela@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: EPA AND 401 CERT REQUEST

Mike: Can you call me about this question?

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**From:** Michael OBryant <obryants@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 6, 2019 10:56 AM  
**To:** MacIntyre, Mark <Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: EPA AND 401 CERT REQUEST

Hi Mark

I got a copy of the EPA letter. If you can, please let me know EPA's answer to the second question.

Best

Mike O'Bryant

Columbia Basin Bulletin

On March 4, 2019 at 11:06 AM Michael OBryant <[obryants@comcast.net](mailto:obryants@comcast.net)> wrote:

Hi Mark

Would you mind emailing back EPA's Feb. 15 letter to Ecology regarding these permits. Will that letter better explain why EPA withdrew its draft permits?

Also, it's my understanding that EPA cannot by regulations include water temperature in these permits. How does EPA address water temperature at the dams?

Best

Mike O'Bryant

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On February 14, 2019 at 1:23 PM "MacIntyre, Mark" <[Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov](mailto:Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov)> wrote:

Mike: Thanks for your inquiry, which Bill Dunbar kindly forwarded to me regarding our request to the Department of Ecology.

We have not yet responded to Ecology's letter from Heather Bartlett.

Currently, this is what we are saying publicly on the matter(Please attribute to "EPA"):

"EPA has determined that the preliminary draft permits for which we had requested water quality certification need additional internal review. Therefore, we have withdrawn our requests for water quality certification at this time. We fully intend to reinstate our requests for water quality certification after we have completed our internal review and updated the preliminary draft permits, as appropriate."

Thanks for the opportunity.

Mark

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